TUOLUMNE COUNTY

2008 WMA Base Funding Work Plan

Member of Central Sierra Partnership Against Weeds WMA

"Noxious weed control and inventory on CSPAW lands"

January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009

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WMA Group affiliated with: Central Sierra Partnership Against Weeds (CSPAW) WMA

Please Confirm, All projects described in this work plan will be in one contract with (if more than one contract is desired, please describe here): Confirmed, 1 contract with Tuolumne County Agricultural Commissioner.

Proposed Projects

Project Title: CSPAW WMA cooperative effort to prevent, detect and manage noxious weeds.

Project Goals:

- A. Continue the coordination of noxious weed control and inventory within Tuolumne County portion of CSPAW WMA lands and continue the partnerships with CSPAW members: USFS Stanislaus National Forest, BLM, State Parks, UC Extension, CalTrans, Tuolumne County Resource Conservation District, Sierra Pacific Industries, local community service districts, City of Sonora, Farm Bureau and other local and private agencies, businesses and interested individuals. This joint effort is mandatory to protect public, as well as private lands from invasive species introduction and spread. This cooperative effort has been in place since 1997. Tuolumne County Agricultural Commissioner in conjunction with Tuolumne County Public Works has been performing the Yellow Starthistle, Tree of Heaven and other "C" rated noxious weeds included in the county roadside and county owned property program since the revival in 1999 with AB 1168 and SB 1740 funds. The initial roadside noxious weed program was a core function of the Agricultural Commissioner's Office starting in 1973 until funding became scarce in 1984. There are 600 miles of county maintained roads.
- B. Continue the control, containment and eradication measures for A and B rated noxious weeds. Tuolumne County has 18 confirmed "A" rated weed locations of Spotted Knapweed, Skeletonweed and Iberian Starthistle and +25 confirmed "B" rated weed locations that have an active management program. These "A" rated management programs have been active since 1981 with a need to be continued for eradication and containment of these weeds. The A and B rated weed locations are on Federal, State, City and private lands. The "B" rated noxious weed program has been active since 1995.
- C. Continue to provide education avenues consisting of displays and age directed presentations and any other means of presenting the information to the local and the visiting public on the noxious weed issues.

Funding for these projects will be provided in part by in-kind funds from the WMA partners. Staffing for education projects will be provided in part by each participating group or agency. This program has been active since 1997.

D. We will follow CDFA's weed monitoring protocol and use photograph, GPS shapefiles and map the progress of the control and containment efforts.

2009 CSPAW WMA- Tuolumne County Noxious Weed Treatment Areas Projects and Participants:

• Spotted Knapweed

Eleven confirmed locations in the Duckwall Quadrant and the associated areas: First documentation 1984 Sierra Pacific Industries-Ken Fleming, USFS-Stanislaus Supervisor's Office, Tuolumne County Agricultural Commissioner-Marian Chambers/Brian Dixon

Skeletonweed

Five confirmed locations throughout Tuolumne County: First documentation 1999

Tuolumne County Agricultural Commissioner-Marian Chambers/Brian Dixon, Tuolumne County Department of Public Works – Road Supervisor, Bureau of Land Management- Al Franklin, Twain Harte Tree Farm and private land owners.

• Iberian Starthistle

Two confirmed locations in the Don Pedro area: First documentation 1995

Tuolumne County Agricultural Commissioner-Marian Chambers/Brian Dixon, Lake Don Pedro Recreation Agency and Tuolumne County Department of Public Works – Road Supervisor.

• Canada Thistle

Two confirmed locations on USFS Stanislaus National Forest (Carson-Iceberg Wilderness, Dimond O: First documentation 1999

USFS-Stanislaus (Groveland and Summit Districts), Tuolumne County Agricultural Commissioner-Marian Chambers/Brian Dixon

• Perennial Pepperweed

Six confirmed locations throughout Tuolumne County: First documentation 2001

Tuolumne County Agricultural Commissioner-Marian Chambers/Brian Dixon, CalTrans, USFS Stanislaus National Forest (Calaveras and MiWok District), and private land owners.

• Diffuse Knapweed

One confirmed location on USFS Stanislaus National Forest: First documentation 2002

Tuolumne County Agricultural Commissioner-Marian Chambers/Brian Dixon, USFS Stanislaus National Forest (Groveland District)

• White Horsenettle

One confirmed location in Tuolumne County: First documentation 2001

Tuolumne County Agricultural Commissioner-Marian Chambers/Brian Dixon, Tuolumne County Department of Public Works – Road Supervisor.

• Dyer's Woad

One confirmed location on USFS Stanislaus National Forest: First documentation 1998

Tuolumne County Agricultural Commissioner-Marian Chambers/Brian Dixon, USFS Stanislaus National Forest (Groveland District)

• Oblong Spurge

+ Twenty-five locations throughout Tuolumne County: First documented 1984

Tuolumne County Agricultural Commissioner-Marian Chambers/Brian Dixon, CalTrans, Tuolumne County Department of Public Works – Road Supervisor, City of Sonora and private land owners.

• Tree of Heaven

Countywide: No official first documentation outside of Gold Rush 1849 documents

Tuolumne County Agricultural Commissioner-Marian Chambers/Brian Dixon, CalTrans, Tuolumne County Department of Public Works – Road Supervisor, City of Sonora, State Parks, Sierra Railroad, USFS Stanislaus National Forest, Bureau of Land management and private land owners.

• Yellow Starthistle and other "C" weeds: Klamath Weed, Puncture Vine, Italian Thistle Countywide: First documentation 1954

Tuolumne County Agricultural Commissioner-Marian Chambers/Brian Dixon, CalTrans, Tuolumne County Department of Public Works – Road Supervisor, City of Sonora, State Parks, Sierra Railroad, USFS Stanislaus National Forest, Bureau of Land Management, Sierra Pacific Industries, Farm Bureau, Local community service districts, Local Pest Control businesses, Tuolumne County RCD, PGE, Tuolumne Utilities District, Farm Bureau and private land owners.

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PLEASE SUBMIT as EXCEL SPREADSHEET

Tuolumne County Central Sierra Partnership Against Weeds WMA

January 1st, 2009 – December 31st, 2009

Please SEE EXCEL Attachment for BASE FUNDING EXAMPLE BUDGET.

Invoicing:

- *All invoices will be on letterhead and will state the contract number, period in which work was performed, and will follow the budget as outlined above.
- *All invoices are mailed to: CDFA-IPC, Attn: Terrance Lorick, 1220 N Street, Room 341, Sacramento, CA 95814.

Reporting:

*An annual report will be required within 30 days of completion of the contract. The report must follow format as provided by the CDFA-WMA Program.